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Attached please find an Amendment and Remarks to be entered in the above application. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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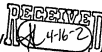
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Remarks are responsive to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2002.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 40 - 56.

REMARKS

The examiner has required a restriction between the claims of Group I, i.e., claim 40; Group II, i.e., claims 41 - 56; and Group III, i.e., claims 57 - 66. Applicant elects the claims of Group III, i.e., claims 57 - 66; therefore, the claims of Groups I and II have been canceled.

In view of the foregoing amendment, it is believed that the application, including claims 57 - 66 is in condition for allowance, and favorable action is respectfully requested. No fee is seen to be required. If any fee is required, please charge it to Deposit Account No. 50-1848.

Respectfully submitted,
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